

NSC BRIEF II

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SHIFTING PATTERNS OF SOVIET FOREIGN POLICY

- I. Present world situation shows change of character in East-West conflict. This change due primarily three factors:
 - A. Growing number and power of nuclear weapons.
 - B. Growth of Western strength and unity in response to Communist military threat.
 - C. Shift in Communist tactic to accommodate (A) and (B).
- II. Change in Soviet external behavior has been extensive. However, activities of Soviet international networks of subversion and espionage continue at high level.
 - A. USSR has made no substantial concessions.
 - B. There is no evidence USSR has changed

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